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SUBJECT: CONGRESS PRESIDENT LASHES US

1. CONGRESS PARTY PRESIDENT D.K. BAROOAH TOLD A MEETING OF THE INDO-IRAQI FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY APRIL 22 THAT THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OF WEST AND SOUTH ASIA AND AFRICA SHOULD JOIN HANDS TO FIGHT TO THE FINISH THE ANGLO-AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS PLANS TO REINFORCE MILITARY BASES IN THE INDIAN OCEAN, ESPECIALLY DIEGO GARCIA. THE CONVERSION OF DIEGO GARCIA INTO A MILITARY BASE, REPORTS THE PRO-CONGRESS NATIONAL HERALD, DID NOT POSE A DANGER TO INDIA ALONE BUT TO THE ENTIRE REGION INCLUDING THE ARAB COUNTRIES.

2. BAROOAH IS SAID TO HAVE OBSERVED THAT THE ONLY WAY THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES COULD SAVE THEMSELVES FROM THE IMPERIALISTIC DESIGNS OF THE US WAS TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR UNITY AND CREATE A SENSE OF AWARENESS OF THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION. DEPENDENCE OF ANY COUNTRY ON AMERICA WOULD
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PROVE SUICIDAL JUST AS HAD HAPPENED IN THE CASE OF SOUTH

VIETNAM. (THE CPI-RUN PATRIOT'S VERSION OF THIS LAST COMMENT NOTED THAT EACH OF THE US ALLIES IN INDO-CHINA HAD LEARNT THAT THE US EXCELLED ONLY IN TREACHERY AND BETRAYAL.)

3. NATIONAL HERALD ALSO REPORTS BAROOAH AS SAYING THAT US ARMS SUPPLIES TO PAKISTAN IS A DELIBERATE ATTEMPT TO CREATE TENSION IN THE INDIAN SUBCONTINENT.

4. COMMENT: BAROOAH'S REMARKS ARE NOT CARRIED IN ANY OTHER PAPERS, BUT THE NATIONAL HERALD AND PATRIOT ARE THE MOST FAITHFUL IN COVERING "FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY" MEETINGS AND THEIR COVERAGE OF BAROOAH'S REMARKS, WHILE NOT IDENTICAL, IS SUFFICIENTLY CLOSE TO SUGGEST THAT HE DID INDEED SAY SOMETHING VERY MUCH ALONG THE LINES ATTRIBUTED TO HIM.
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